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Interviews: 1,008 adults
Dates: January 20-22, 2008

47 Male
53 Female
[109]

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

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Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>7/92+</u>	
Headed in the right direction.....	19	22	21	25	19	19	22	72	14	[138]
Off on the wrong track.....	68	63	67	63	67	68	66	11	71	
Mixed (VOL).....	10	13	9	9	11	11	12	11	9	
Not sure.....	3	2	3	3	3	2	-	6	6	
		<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>			
		25	28	28	29	26	29			
		58	57	58	56	61	58			
		14	13	11	13	11	11			
		3	2	3	2	2	2			
		<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>			
		31	27	27	24	26	31			
		54	60	61	67	62	57			
		12	11	10	7	9	10			
		3	2	2	2	3	2			
		<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>			
		30	26	28	32	34	35			
		59	63	59	57	52	52			
		8	8	10	8	12	10			
		3	3	3	3	2	3			
		<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>			
		34	42	40	41	39	39			
		51	48	47	46	48	49			
		12	8	10	11	10	10			
		3	2	3	2	3	2			

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	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	36	36	36	33	41	47	56	41
Off on the wrong track.....	50	48	48	50	49	43	30	48
Mixed (VOL).....	12	14	14	14	5	6	9	8
Not sure.....	2	2	2	3	5	4	5	3
	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>
	43	38	42	49	62	36	43	44
	47	50	44	38	22	47	42	42
	6	8	9	8	13	14	13	14
	3	4	4	5	3	3	2	-
	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>
	40	52	53	62	70	72	43	45
	42	31	28	20	15	11	39	36
	14	14	15	14	12	11	14	15
	4	3	4	4	3	6	4	4
								<u>10/00</u>
								48
								32
								18
								2

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2a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24.....	7	[139-140]
25-29.....	6	
30-34.....	12	
35-39.....	6	
40-44.....	9	
45-49.....	11	
50-54.....	11	
55-59.....	9	
60-64.....	9	
65-69.....	7	
70-74.....	5	
75 and over.....	7	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

2b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.....	10	[141]
No, not Hispanic.....	90	
Not sure/refused.....	-	

2c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race—white, black, Asian, or something else?

White.....	78	[142]
Black.....	10	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	2	
Hispanic (VOL).....	8	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

3a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<i>High</i> <u>11/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>6/07</u>	[143]
Approve.....	31	34	31	33	31	29	88	29	
Disapprove.....	63	60	63	61	63	66	7	66	
Not sure.....	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	
		<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>	
		35	35	35	34	39	38	39	
		60	60	60	61	57	57	56	
		5	5	5	5	4	5	5	
		<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	
		42	39	37	36	37	39	39	
		53	56	58	57	58	54	55	
		5	5	5	7	5	7	6	
		<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	
		39	40	46	47	48	50	50	
		54	55	49	47	46	45	44	
		7	5	5	6	6	5	6	
		<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	
		49	49	47	47	48	45	47	
		44	47	48	48	46	49	46	
		7	4	5	5	6	6	7	
		<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	
		50	54	58	52	51	49	56	
		46	41	34	41	44	45	38	
		5	6	9	7	5	6	6	
		<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>3/29-30/03</u>	<u>3/23/03</u>	<u>3/17/03</u>	<u>2/03¹</u>	<u>1/03</u>	
		62	71	66	67	62	61	54	
		31	23	29	28	33	31	40	
		7	6	5	5	5	8	6	
		<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>4/01</u>	
		63	64	67	69	75	74	57	
		31	30	27	23	18	20	22	
		6	6	6	8	7	6	21	

¹Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<i>High</i> <u>12/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>11/05</u>	[144]
Approve.....	29	34	35	38	38	36	63	34	
Disapprove.....	64	59	60	57	56	57	25	60	
Not sure.....	7	7	5	5	6	7	12	6	
	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	
	40	44	40	40	46	44	41	43	
	51	49	53	54	48	52	53	52	
	9	7	7	6	6	4	6	5	
	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	
	41	38	35	36	39	39	38	40	
	53	56	60	58	54	55	57	55	
	6	6	5	6	7	6	5	5	
	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	
	39	43	41	46	47	44	45	45	
	54	51	53	50	47	51	52	51	
	7	6	6	4	6	5	3	4	
	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	
	43	45	41	45	49	48	50	43	
	52	49	53	51	45	46	44	52	
	5	6	6	4	6	6	5	6	
	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	
	45	47	49	44	47	48	48	49	
	48	45	42	49	45	44	43	43	
	7	8	9	7	8	8	9	8	
	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>				
	57	61	63	63	52				
	34	30	27	25	27				
	9	9	10	12	21				

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3c. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling foreign policy?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>High</u> <u>12/01</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>7/07</u>	[145]
Approve.....	27	32	27	27	30	37	82	27	
Disapprove.....	65	63	66	68	64	57	12	66	
Not sure.....	8	5	7	5	6	6	6	7	
	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	34	35	32	38	35	36	45	42	
	60	61	61	57	59	56	51	52	
	6	4	7	5	6	8	4	6	
	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	
	42	44	46	45	48	44	44	44	
	50	50	49	51	46	51	52	52	
	8	6	5	4	6	5	4	4	
	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>11/03</u>	
	43	45	47	54	56	48	57	48	
	51	51	48	41	37	47	36	48	
	6	4	5	5	7	5	7	4	
	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	
	47	55	63	70	51	58	55	62	
	46	39	31	24	42	35	34	28	
	7	6	6	6	7	7	11	10	
	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>				
	64	68	81	82	53				
	28	26	13	12	20				
	8	6	6	6	27				

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3d. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	[146]
Approve.....	28	33	27	30	22	26	27	27	
Disapprove.....	67	63	68	66	72	68	66	67	
Not sure.....	5	4	5	4	6	6	7	6	
	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	
	28	23	34	33	38	34	35	33	
	67	71	63	63	57	61	61	62	
	5	6	3	4	5	5	4	5	
	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>		
	35	39	36	32	37	39	44		
	61	56	60	64	58	55	52		
	4	5	4	4	5	6	4		

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3e. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

								High	Low	
	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>4/92+</u>	[147]
Approve.....	18	18	19	23	23	31	31	61	15	
Disapprove.....	70	70	68	65	64	52	53	28	78	
Not sure.....	12	12	13	12	13	17	16	11	7	
		<u>10/13-</u>								
		<u>16/06+</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	
		16	20	25	23	22	33	29	25	
		75	65	60	64	65	53	56	60	
		9	15	15	13	13	14	15	15	
		<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	
		28	29	28	33	39	41	40	39	
		57	53	55	51	46	40	42	43	
		15	18	17	16	15	19	18	18	
		<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	
		46	39	43	39	43	42	44	44	
		41	47	45	45	43	39	39	40	
		13	14	11	16	14	19	17	16	
		<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	
		40	34	43	54	57	47	43	45	
		44	48	41	29	29	34	33	32	
		16	18	16	17	14	19	24	23	
		<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	
		48	55	49	46	46	43	42	43	
		35	30	35	41	42	46	44	40	
		17	15	16	13	12	11	14	17	
		<u>1/00</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	
		48	45	42	40	43	43	40	49	
		36	42	45	49	41	41	42	38	
		16	13	13	11	16	16	18	13	
		<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>				
		50	44	48	24	23				
		40	42	39	67	67				
		10	14	13	9	10				

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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- 4a. Please tell me how interested you are in November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a "ten" means that you are very interested in November's elections and a "one" means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten.

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	
10, very interested.....	63	62	59	74	71	63	[148-149]
9.....	10	9	9	8	7	10	
8.....	10	13	12	9	9	12	
7.....	4	5	7	3	5	6	
6.....	3	3	3	2	2	2	
5.....	5	4	5	2	4	4	
4.....	1	1	1	-	1	1	
3.....	1	1	1	1	-	-	
2.....	-	-	-	-	-	1	
1, not at all interested.....	2	2	3	1	1	1	
Cannot rate.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 4b. Using a ten-point scale, please tell me how likely you are to vote in November's elections for president and Congress. If you are certain that you will vote, pick a number closer to "8," "9," or "10." If it is less likely that you will vote, use a number closer to "1," "2," or "3." You may choose any number from one to ten.

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>7/04</u>	<u>6/04</u>	<u>5/04</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>10/00</u>	<u>10/96¹</u>	<u>5/96¹⁺</u>	
10, certain to vote.....	81	84	80	83	80	80	73	75	81	78	[150-151]
9.....	5	5	5	8	8	10	9	12	8	8	
8.....	4	4	4	3	5	4	8	7	6	6	
7.....	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	2			
6.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
5.....	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	1			
4.....	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	} 5	} 7	
3.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-			
2.....	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1			
1, less likely to vote.....	4	2	4	1	1	1	4	1			
Cannot rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	

¹In May and December 1996, the categories of "1" through "7" were collapsed and shown together.

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5. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
George W. Bush							[152]
January 2008.....	14	18	10	17	40	1	
December 2007.....	16	20	11	13	40	-	
November 2007.....	17	17	10	14	41	1	
September 2007.....	18	18	11	13	40	-	
July 2007.....	13	20	11	15	41	-	
June 2007.....	12	20	11	15	42	-	
April 2007.....	17	19	13	14	37	-	
March 2007.....	18	20	9	14	39	-	
January 2007.....	17	18	12	17	35	1	
December 2006.....	19	19	10	15	37	-	
October 28-30, 2006+.....	23	17	10	14	36	-	
July 2006.....	21	18	10	15	36	-	
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1	
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	
September 2005.....	24	18	10	14	34	-	
July 2005.....	27	20	10	15	28	-	
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-	
June 2004+.....	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-	
September 2003.....	35	17	9	15	23	1	
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1	
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
<i>Low</i>							
June 2007.....	12	20	11	15	42	-	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
Barack Obama							[153/164]
January 2008.....	19	30	22	11	14	4	
December 2007.....	17	29	22	14	12	6	
November 2007.....	15	28	24	12	12	9	
September 2007	15	27	23	13	12	10	
July 2007.....	16	26	24	12	10	12	
April 2007.....	19	26	25	8	6	16	
March 2007.....	18	19	26	11	6	20	
December 2006.....	17	18	18	7	6	34	
October 28-30, 2006+.....	14	17	18	5	6	40	
Hillary Clinton							[154/165]
January 2008.....	24	23	11	11	30	1	
December 2007.....	22	20	13	12	32	1	
November 2007.....	19	24	12	14	30	1	
September 2007.....	20	24	13	13	29	1	
July 2007.....	20	24	16	12	27	1	
June 2007.....	18	24	15	16	26	1	
March 2007.....	16	23	17	15	28	1	
December 2006.....	21	22	17	12	26	2	
April 2006.....	19	19	19	13	28	2	
December 2004.....	24	21	14	11	29	1	
December 13, 2003.....	21	25	12	12	30	1	
July 2003.....	16	21	20	13	27	3	
March 2001.....	16	19	15	18	31	1	
January 2001.....	27	22	13	12	24	2	
October 2000+.....	20	19	15	14	31	1	
September 2000+.....	19	23	16	13	28	1	
June 2000+.....	19	22	16	13	29	1	
March 2000+.....	18	24	19	15	23	1	
January 2000.....	21	23	18	13	24	1	
December 1999.....	19	22	17	13	28	1	
October 1999.....	21	24	13	16	25	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 1999.....	35	23	16	11	14	1	
<i>Low</i>							
March 2001.....	16	19	15	18	31	1	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
Mike Huckabee							[155/166]
January 2008.....	9	21	26	16	13	15	
December 2007.....	9	18	25	15	8	25	
November 2007.....	5	12	26	6	5	46	
September 2007.....	4	12	22	7	5	50	
John McCain							[156/167]
January 2008.....	14	31	26	15	7	7	
December 2007.....	10	29	26	21	7	7	
November 2007.....	8	27	31	19	7	8	
September 2007.....	9	27	26	18	11	9	
July 2007.....	7	28	25	20	9	11	
April 2007.....	11	31	27	15	7	9	
March 2007.....	12	31	25	15	9	8	
December 2006.....	13	33	22	16	4	12	
June 2006.....	11	29	29	11	5	15	
April 2006.....	12	27	28	13	6	14	
August 2004+.....	18	33	26	8	4	11	
July 2004+.....	19	30	30	9	2	10	
May 2004+.....	20	30	26	8	5	11	
July 2002.....	12	29	27	10	5	17	
April 2002.....	18	29	25	9	3	16	
June 2001.....	15	29	26	11	6	13	
April 2001.....	17	30	25	9	3	16	
January 2001.....	16	28	29	7	3	17	
July 2000+.....	18	32	25	9	6	10	
April 2000+.....	16	30	27	12	5	10	
January 2000.....	14	20	27	8	3	28	
December 1999.....	12	22	24	4	2	36	
<i>High</i>							
May 2004+.....	20	30	26	8	5	11	
<i>Low</i>							
October 1999.....	9	20	22	5	2	42	
Rudy Giuliani							[157/168]
January 2008.....	6	23	24	20	20	7	
December 2007.....	10	27	19	17	20	7	
November 2007.....	12	31	20	16	15	6	
September 2007.....	15	28	20	15	15	7	
March 2007.....	21	37	21	8	6	7	
December 2006.....	19	36	22	9	5	9	
August 2004+.....	29	29	20	7	4	11	
September 2002.....	42	25	16	3	3	11	
December 2001.....	61	23	9	1	1	5	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
Mitt Romney							[158/169]
January 2008.....	7	21	24	19	13	16	
December 2007.....	9	16	26	16	11	22	
November 2007.....	4	18	27	17	12	22	
September 2007.....	6	18	26	14	11	25	
June 2007.....	5	16	23	13	7	36	
March 2007.....	4	11	24	11	6	44	
December 2006.....	3	8	22	7	4	56	
Fred Thompson							[159]
January 2008 *.....	8	13	32	13	13	21	
December 2007.....	6	19	22	16	12	25	
November 2007.....	6	17	27	13	10	27	
September 2007.....	12	16	22	12	10	28	
July 2007.....	6	15	23	9	5	42	
June 2007.....	10	13	23	6	4	44	
April 2007.....	8	14	19	3	1	55	
September 1997.....	6	10	16	4	3	61	
July 1997.....	6	12	16	4	3	59	
Bill Clinton							[160]
January 2008 *.....	24	23	14	11	27	1	
November 2007.....	25	23	13	14	25	-	
March 2007.....	27	21	16	14	21	1	
April 2006.....	27	23	16	12	21	1	
October 2004+.....	26	22	13	11	27	1	
June 2004+.....	20	22	16	14	27	1	
January 2002.....	17	19	13	13	36	2	
June 2001.....	18	21	15	15	31	-	
April 2001.....	20	20	15	11	34	-	
January 2001.....	32	24	11	12	21	-	
December 2000.....	33	23	11	12	21	-	
September 2000+.....	25	25	10	13	27	-	
August 2000+.....	24	22	11	13	30	-	
July 2000+.....	22	27	11	12	28	-	
High							
January 1993.....	33	31	15	9	7	5	
Low							
March 2001.....	17	17	13	14	38	1	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
Dick Cheney							[161]
January 2008 *.....	7	17	17	15	39	5	
July 2007.....	9	15	19	15	39	3	
January 2007.....	9	20	21	15	31	4	
September 2006+.....	13	21	15	15	35	1	
March 2006.....	12	18	17	17	33	3	
December 2005.....	13	20	15	17	32	3	
November 2005.....	10	17	19	16	33	5	
January 2005.....	19	23	15	18	23	2	
December 2004.....	18	24	13	13	28	4	
October 2004+.....	24	20	12	11	31	2	
September 2004+.....	21	20	13	12	31	3	
August 2004+.....	18	20	16	12	30	4	
July 2004+.....	16	20	19	14	28	3	
June 2004+.....	17	22	17	13	27	4	
May 2004+.....	18	21	16	13	29	3	
March 2004.....	17	22	18	14	22	6	
December 13, 2003.....	18	24	14	13	23	8	
September 2002.....	23	27	21	12	12	5	
December 2001.....	36	27	23	3	6	5	
October 2000+.....	25	24	26	8	9	8	
<i>High</i>							
February 1991+.....	33	33	13	2	2	17	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2007.....	9	15	19	15	39	3	
Ron Paul							[162]
January 2008 *.....	4	11	26	11	14	34	
November 2007.....	3	8	19	6	5	59	
July 2007.....	2	5	14	4	1	74	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party							[163]
January 2008 *.....	22	25	19	18	15	1	
November 2007.....	12	27	24	18	17	2	
September 2007.....	8	26	27	22	16	1	
July 2007.....	15	27	21	20	15	2	
June 2007.....	12	30	22	19	16	1	
January 2007.....	13	29	26	16	14	2	
December 2006.....	17	29	23	19	10	2	
October 28-30, 2006+.....	14	25	25	18	17	1	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	26	26	19	16	2	
September 30-October 2, 2006+.....	9	29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	
June 2006.....	10	25	25	22	17	1	
April 2006.....	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006.....	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006.....	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005.....	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005.....	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005.....	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005.....	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005.....	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004.....	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+.....	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+.....	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+.....	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+.....	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003.....	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003.....	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002.....	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002.....	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+.....	19	27	24	15	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
Michael Bloomberg							[170]
January 2008 **.....	4	10	34	11	7	34	
December 2007.....	3	11	30	13	10	33	
July 2007.....	5	15	35	9	4	32	
December 2006.....	5	16	30	7	3	39	
John Edwards							[171]
January 2008 **.....	10	27	29	12	15	7	
December 2007.....	11	27	23	14	17	8	
November 2007.....	9	28	25	16	15	7	
September 2007.....	12	29	22	14	13	10	
July 2007.....	12	25	26	14	13	10	
June 2007.....	12	24	29	12	14	9	
March 2007	8	25	32	12	11	12	
December 2006.....	11	23	26	13	8	19	
December 2004.....	16	24	24	16	13	7	
October 2004+.....	18	24	21	13	20	4	
September 2004+.....	20	21	21	14	17	7	
August 2004+.....	19	22	25	15	13	6	
July 2004+.....	18	26	26	12	8	10	
June 2004+.....	10	22	29	11	4	24	
March 2004.....	12	24	27	14	6	17	
January 2004.....	4	12	24	8	6	45	
December 13, 2003.....	3	14	21	8	5	49	
Nancy Pelosi							[172]
January 2008 **.....	5	17	21	11	22	24	
April 2007	11	18	20	12	18	21	
January 2007.....	10	18	23	9	15	25	
December 2006.....	9	16	21	8	15	31	
October 2006+.....	4	10	18	8	17	43	
September 2006+.....	4	11	12	7	16	50	
December 2005.....	3	10	20	6	12	49	
February 2005.....	5	10	17	6	10	52	
December 2002.....	3	8	16	4	8	61	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
The Republican Party							[173]
January 2008 **.....	13	21	26	19	18	3	
November 2007.....	8	24	24	20	22	2	
September 2007.....	8	23	20	27	20	2	
July 2007.....	8	25	19	23	23	2	
June 2007.....	7	21	21	23	26	2	
January 2007.....	10	23	21	23	21	2	
December 2006.....	11	22	19	22	24	2	
October 28-30, 2006+.....	15	20	16	20	28	1	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+.....	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006.....	11	22	18	21	25	3	
June 2006.....	10	24	18	21	26	1	
April 2006.....	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006.....	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006.....	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005.....	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005.....	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005.....	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005.....	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005.....	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004.....	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+.....	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+.....	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+.....	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+.....	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003.....	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003.....	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002.....	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002.....	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+.....	15	28	24	16	15	2	
High							
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
Low							
June 2007.....	7	21	21	23	26	2	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 6a. Let me list some issues that have been proposed for the federal government to address. Please tell me which one of these items you think should be the top priority for the federal government. **(IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one, which do you think should be the top priority?**

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO CHOOSE A PRIORITY IN Q.8a.)

- 6b. And which of these issues do you think should be the next highest priority for the federal government to address?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Q.6a Top Priority			Q.6a/b COMBINED Top/Second Priorities		
<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>		<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	
Job creation and economic growth.....26.....	14	CONTINUE	46	31	[174-177]
The war in Iraq.....17.....	18		35	36	
Health care.....17.....	18		34	35	
Terrorism.....10.....	9		19	20	
Illegal immigration.....10.....	12		22	26	
Energy and the cost of gas.....7.....	8		19	20	
The environment and global warming.....6.....	7		13	16	
Foreign policy and Iran.....5.....	5		11	13	
Other (VOL).....5.....	-		-	1	
All equally (VOL).....2.....	8	Skip to Q.7	1	-	
None of these (VOL).....5.....	-		-	-	
Not sure.....5.....	1		-	-	

7. Compared with the past several presidents, do you feel that George W. Bush will turn out to have been one of the very best, better than most, not as good as most, or definitely worse than most of them? *

One of the very best.....	5	[178]
Better than most.....	23	
Not as good as most.....	29	
Definitely worse than most.....	41	
Not sure.....	2	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

	Bill Clinton				Ronald Reagan		
	6/04+	1/01	12/00	1/99	6/04+	9/99	1981 ¹
One of the very best.....	13	16	13	12	32	18	11
Better than most.....	39	40	44	38	43	46	44
Not as good as most.....	26	24	24	26	16	24	28
Definitely worse than most.....	21	18	16	19	5	8	9
Not sure.....	1	2	3	5	4	4	8

¹ Results from a 1981 survey conducted by Lou Harris.
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

8. Who do you want to see take the lead role in setting policy for the country--George W. Bush or the Congress?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>3/99¹</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>9/97</u>	
George W. Bush.....	21	22	25	44	35	38	28	35	[179]
Congress.....	62	57	49	32	47	43	49	43	
Shared/equal role (VOL).....	10	16	16	22	10	12	17	14	
Neither (VOL).....	4	3	7	1	5	5	4	4	
Not sure.....	3	2	3	1	3	2	2	4	
		<u>6/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/97</u>	<u>12/96</u>	<u>3/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	<u>11/94+</u>	
		35	38	34	38	33	31	30	
		45	44	43	44	54	55	55	
		12	12	18	14	6	8	11	
		5	3	2	2	3	2	1	
		3	3	3	2	4	4	3	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

¹ Prior to January 2002, this question was phrased, "Who do you want to see take the lead role in setting policy for the country--President Clinton or the Congress?"

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

9. Please tell me which one or two of the following issues you feel George W. Bush should focus on the most during his final year in office. **(IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just two, which would you choose?**

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Strengthening the economy.....	37	[208-209] >
Dealing with Iraq and terrorism.....	32	
Keeping America's homeland safe.....	23	
Dealing with domestic problems such as education and health care....	22	
Dealing with the housing and mortgage situation.....	11	
Defining the United State's role in the world.....	9	
Protecting the environment and global warming.....	6	
All equally (VOL).....	5	
Other (VOL).....	1	
None (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	1	

- 10a. Putting aside for a moment the question of who each party's nominee might be, what is your preference for the outcome of the 2008 presidential election—that a Democrat be elected president, that a Republican be elected president, or that an independent candidate be elected president? **(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) And do you strongly prefer a (Democrat/Republican), or is your preference not that strong?**

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>		
Democrat—strongly.....	41	39	Skip to Q.11a	[210]
Democrat—not strongly.....	7	8		
Republican—not strongly.....	7	8		
Republican—strongly.....	23	25		
Independent candidate.....	9	10	CONTINUE	
Other (VOL).....	2	1	Skip to Q.11a	
Not sure.....	11	9		

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE IN Q.10a.)

10b. And supposing there were no independent candidate on the ballot, what would your preference be for the outcome of the 2008 election— that a Democrat be elected president or that a Republican be elected president?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	
Democratic candidate be elected president.....	3	4	[211]
Republican candidate be elected president.....	4	3	
Other (VOL).....	1	1	
Not sure.....	1	2	
Democrat/Republican/Other/Not sure (Q.10a).....	91	90	

Q.10a/10b COMBINED RESULTS WITH TREND					
	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>
Democrat—strongly.....	40	39	42	41	39
Democrat—not strongly/independent, lean Democrat.....	11	12	8	8	10
Republican—not strongly/independent, lean Republican....	11	12	7	8	6
Republican—strongly.....	23	25	28	28	25
Other (VOL).....	3	1	3	4	6
Not sure.....	12	11	12	11	14

11a. How closely are you following the Democratic presidential primary race—very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not closely at all? *

Very closely.....	43	[212]
Somewhat closely.....	41	
Not too closely.....	9	
Not closely at all.....	7	
Not sure.....	-	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

11b. How closely are you following the Republican presidential primary race—very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not closely at all? **

Very closely.....	33	[213]
Somewhat closely.....	46	
Not too closely.....	13	
Not closely at all.....	8	
Not sure.....	-	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

12a. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? **(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:)** Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? **(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:)** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	24	Skip to Q.13a	[214]
Not very strong Democrat.....	7		
Independent/lean Democrat.....	12		
Strictly independent.....	17	CONTINUE	
Independent/lean Republican.....	12	Skip to Q.17a	
Not very strong Republican.....	7		
Strong Republican.....	15		
Other.....	5	CONTINUE	
Not sure/nothing.....	1		

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY INDEPENDENT, OTHER, OR NOT SURE IN Q.12a.)

12b. If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Democratic primary, the Republican primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election?

Vote in the Democratic primary.....	21	CONTINUE	[215]
Vote in the Republican primary.....	18	Skip to Q.17a	
Wait until the general election.....	53		
None/other (VOL).....	6	Skip to Q.22a	
Not sure.....	2		

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

13a. Let me mention some people who have said that they will seek the Democratic nomination for president in 2008. If the next Democratic primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?**

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>1/08</u>	
Hillary Clinton.....	47	[216]
Barack Obama.....	32	
John Edwards.....	12	
Dennis Kucinich.....	3	
Other (VOL).....	-	
None (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	5	

	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>
Hillary Clinton.....	45	47	44	43	39	36	40	37
Barack Obama.....	23	25	23	22	25	31	28	18
John Edwards.....	13	11	16	13	15	20	15	14
Joe Biden.....	4	3	2	5	4	3	2	4
Dennis Kucinich.....	4	2	3	2	3	1	1	NA
Bill Richardson.....	2	4	4	6	4	2	5	2
Chris Dodd.....	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	NA
Mike Gravel.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	NA	NA
Other (VOL).....	-	3	1	1	2	1	1	17
None (VOL).....	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	3
Not sure.....	7	4	5	5	5	5	5	5

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

13b. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the choices for the Democratic presidential nomination?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>7/99</u>	
Satisfied.....	81	78	77	58	[217]
Dissatisfied.....	15	13	15	33	
Not sure.....	4	9	8	9	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

14. Suppose the choice for the Democratic nomination came down to Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama. For whom would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?**

Hillary Clinton.....	53	[218]
Barack Obama.....	37	
Other (VOL).....	1	
None (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	8	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

15. Which of the following candidates do you think has the best chance to defeat the Republican candidate and retain the White House?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	
Hillary Clinton.....	51	54	39	[219]
Barack Obama.....	29	18	32	
John Edwards.....	8	15	22	
Someone else.....	3	4	-	
None (VOL).....	-	-	1	
Not sure.....	9	9	6	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

16. If **(READ ITEM)** were selected as the Democratic nominee, would you vote for this person with enthusiasm, with some reservations, only based on who the opponent was, or not vote for that person?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VOTE WITH ENTHUSIASM

	<u>Vote With Enthusiasm</u>	<u>Vote With Some Reservations</u>	<u>Vote Only Based On Opponent</u>	<u>Not Vote For That Person</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Hillary Clinton						[221]
January 2008.....	60	24	9	7	-	
December 2007.....	50	28	12	9	1	
Barack Obama						[220]
January 2008.....	52	26	10	10	2	
December 2007.....	44	29	10	13	4	
John Edwards						[222]
January 2008.....	38	28	14	15	5	
December 2007.....	36	33	14	12	5	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

17a. Let me mention some people who have said that they will seek the Republican nomination for president in 2008. If the next Republican primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:)** Well, which way do you lean?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	Including Thompson	Without Thompson ¹	
John McCain.....	28	29	[223]
Mike Huckabee.....	20	23	
Mitt Romney.....	17	20	
Rudy Giuliani.....	13	15	
Fred Thompson.....	9	NA	
Ron Paul.....	4	4	CONTINUE
Other (VOL).....	1	1	
None (VOL).....	-	-	
Not sure.....	8	8	
			Skip to Q.18

¹Thompson voters were reallocated among the other candidates based on their second choice candidate in Q.17b.

	12/07	11/07	9/28- 30/07	9/7- 10/07	7/07	6/07	4/07	3/07	12/06
Rudy Giuliani.....	20	33	30	32	33	29	33	38	34
Mitt Romney.....	20	11	10	11	11	14	12	8	8
Mike Huckabee.....	17	8	4	4	1	3	2	2	2
John McCain.....	14	16	15	14	17	14	22	24	29
Fred Thompson.....	11	15	23	26	20	20	17	NA	NA
Ron Paul.....	4	4	2	2	2	2	NA	NA	NA
Duncan Hunter.....	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	NA
Tom Tancredo.....	1	2	1	1	1	1	NA	NA	NA
Newt Gingrich.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	10	10
Other (VOL).....	1	1	2	1	5	7	3	5	6
None (VOL).....	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	3
Not sure.....	9	7	10	6	7	10	9	9	8

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b AND WHO CHOOSE A CANDIDATE IN Q.17a.)

17b. Suppose that **(CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.17a)** was no longer running. If the next Republican primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:)** Well, which way do you lean?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Mitt Romney.....	20	[224]
Mike Huckabee.....	19	
Rudy Giuliani.....	17	
John McCain.....	17	
Fred Thompson.....	12	
Ron Paul.....	4	
Other (VOL).....	1	
None (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	6	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

18. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the choices for the Republican presidential nomination?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>7/07</u> ¹	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>3/96</u> ²	
Satisfied.....	57	65	73	53	56	68	[225]
Dissatisfied.....	34	27	18	33	26	31	
Not sure.....	9	8	9	14	18	1	

¹In June and July 2007, the question was phrased, "If this was the final group of candidates running for the Republican nomination, would you be satisfied or dissatisfied with the choices for the Republican presidential nomination?"

²In March 1996, the question was phrased, "How satisfied are you with the present field of announced Republican candidates for president--very satisfied, fairly satisfied, just somewhat satisfied, or not that satisfied?"

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

19. Which of the following candidates do you think has the best chance to defeat the Democratic candidate and retain the White House?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	
John McCain.....	37	13	21	[226]
Mitt Romney.....	16	10	7	
Rudy Giuliani.....	15	39	48	
Mike Huckabee.....	12	NA	NA	
Someone else.....	5	1	1	
Fred Thompson.....	2	26	11	
None (VOL).....	2	1	2	
Not sure.....	11	10	10	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

20. Which of the following is most important to you--a candidate who puts more emphasis on **(READ LIST)? (IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one, which would you say is MOST important to you?**

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Cutting federal spending and balancing the budget.....	35	
Iraq and terrorism.....	23	[227]
Illegal immigration.....	14	
Values issues such as abortion and gay rights.....	12	
Cutting taxes.....	11	
Other/none (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	3	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q.12a OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.12b.)

21. If **(READ ITEM)** were selected as the Republican nominee, would you vote for this person with enthusiasm, with some reservations, only based on who the opponent was, or not vote for that person?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VOTE WITH ENTHUSIASM

	<u>Vote With Enthusiasm</u>	<u>Vote With Some Reservations</u>	<u>Vote Only Based On Opponent</u>	<u>Not Vote For That Person</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
John McCain						[230]
January 2008.....	37	38	12	9	4	
December 2007.....	32	38	17	9	4	
Mike Huckabee						[229]
January 2008.....	30	35	14	15	6	
December 2007.....	30	28	17	14	11	
Mitt Romney						[231]
January 2008.....	27	35	16	17	5	
December 2007.....	35	25	19	12	9	
Fred Thompson						[232]
January 2008.....	26	26	14	23	11	
December 2007.....	29	32	19	11	9	
Rudy Giuliani						[228]
January 2008.....	25	38	13	22	2	
December 2007.....	33	38	15	11	3	

(Q.22a-Q.22h ARE ROTATED.)

22a. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>6/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	
Rudy Giuliani.....	37	43	45	42	41	43	47	[233]
Hillary Clinton.....	52	46	46	49	47	48	42	
Depends (VOL).....	1	2	-	-	1	1	3	
Neither/other (VOL).....	6	5	5	5	7	5	4	
Not sure.....	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

22b. If the next election for president were held today, and Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>12/06+</u>	
Mitt Romney.....	36	41	39	38	37	[234]
Hillary Clinton.....	52	48	50	51	47	
Depends (VOL).....	2	2	1	-	2	
Neither/other (VOL).....	6	5	5	6	5	
Not sure.....	4	4	5	5	9	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 22c. If the next election for president were held today, and Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	
Mitt Romney.....	35	36	34	[235]
Barack Obama.....	48	48	51	
Depends (VOL).....	2	1	1	
Neither/other (VOL).....	7	6	7	
Not sure.....	8	9	7	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 22d. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>12/06+</u>	
John McCain.....	42	39	43	[236]
Barack Obama.....	42	45	38	
Depends (VOL).....	4	1	3	
Neither/other (VOL).....	6	5	6	
Not sure.....	6	10	10	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 22e. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>12/06+</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	
John McCain.....	46	43	47	45	46	44	[237]
Hillary Clinton.....	44	47	43	36	37	42	
Depends (VOL).....	1	1	1	3	3	1	
Neither/other (VOL).....	3	4	5	8	8	6	
Not sure.....	6	5	4	8	6	7	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 22f. If the next election for president were held today, and Mike Huckabee were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>12/07</u>	
Mike Huckabee.....	41	44	[238]
Hillary Clinton.....	50	46	
Depends (VOL).....	1	1	
Neither/other (VOL).....	4	5	
Not sure.....	4	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 22g. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	
Rudy Giuliani.....	34	40	42	40	45	[239]
Barack Obama.....	54	49	44	45	39	
Depends (VOL).....	1	3	1	2	3	
Neither/other (VOL).....	3	4	6	7	4	
Not sure.....	8	4	7	6	9	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 22h. If the next election for president were held today, and Mike Huckabee were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>12/07</u>	
Mike Huckabee.....	33	36	[240]
Barack Obama.....	55	48	
Depends (VOL).....	2	3	
Neither/other (VOL).....	4	6	
Not sure.....	6	7	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

23. There has been a lot of talk about a third-party or independent candidate. Without naming the specific candidate, if the major party candidates were **(READ ITEM)**, would you definitely consider, possibly consider, probably NOT consider, or definitely NOT consider voting for an independent or third-party candidate?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY DEFINITELY OR POSSIBLY CONSIDER

	<u>Definitely Consider</u>	<u>Possibly Consider</u>	<u>Probably Not Consider</u>	<u>Definitely Not Consider</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Hillary Clinton and Mitt Romney **.....	19	26	11	39	5	[246]
Barack Obama and Mike Huckabee **.....	18	24	13	41	4	[245]
Hillary Clinton and Rudy Giuliani *.....	17	23	13	42	5	[243]
Hillary Clinton and Mike Huckabee *.....	17	21	12	46	4	[241]
Hillary Clinton and John McCain **.....	16	22	13	44	5	[244]
Barack Obama and John McCain *.....	15	23	13	43	6	[242]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

24. We often hear people talk about the importance of unifying the country. Let me read you a series of different kinds of people who might become president. For each one, please tell me whether you feel that a person with this kind of background would make it easier to unite the country, harder to unite the country, or that it would really not make that much difference. *

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EASIER TO UNITE THE COUNTRY

	<u>Easier To Unite The Country</u>	<u>Harder To Unite The Country</u>	<u>Makes No Difference Either Way</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
A woman.....	23	29	44	4	[251]
An African American.....	16	25	55	4	[249]
An evangelical Baptist preacher.....	9	46	40	5	[247]
A person who is over age seventy.....	6	37	53	4	[248]
A Mormon.....	3	44	49	4	[250]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

25. One of the goals people have mentioned as important for the next president to have is the ability to unite all Americans around goals and objectives for the country and to reduce the partisan fighting in Congress. I would like to list various presidential candidates. Please tell me whether you feel this person would be very successful, fairly successful, not too successful, or not at all successful in uniting the nation. **

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY OR FAIRLY SUCCESSFUL

	<u>Very Successful</u>	<u>Fairly Successful</u>	<u>Not Too Successful</u>	<u>Not At All Successful</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Barack Obama.....	27	40	14	12	7	[257]
John McCain.....	20	46	16	10	8	[256]
Hillary Clinton.....	25	30	14	27	4	[252]
John Edwards.....	13	39	18	21	9	[253]
Rudy Giuliani.....	13	35	20	26	6	[254]
Mike Huckabee.....	9	33	24	19	15	[255]
Mitt Romney.....	8	33	22	22	15	[258]

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

26. NOT thinking about any specific candidates, I'm going to list several types of people who might run for president. For each one, please tell me whether that type of candidate is someone you would (a) be enthusiastic about, (b) be comfortable with, (c) have some reservations about, or (d) be very uncomfortable with.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY ENTHUSIASTIC OR COMFORTABLE

	<u>(A) Enthusiastic</u>	<u>(B) Comfortable</u>	<u>(C) Have Some Reservations</u>	<u>(D) Very Uncomfortable</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
An African American						[259]
January 2008.....	20	61	13	4	2	
December 2006.....	15	68	8	4	5	
A woman						[260]
January 2008.....	25	51	15	7	2	
December 2006.....	21	59	8	8	4	
An evangelical Christian						[262]
January 2008.....	11	40	25	20	4	
December 2006.....	7	34	26	28	5	
A Mormon						[261]
January 2008.....	6	41	29	21	3	
December 2006.....	4	34	27	26	9	

27. When it comes to **(READ ITEM)**, which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Dealing with global warming							[278]
January 2008 **	D-45	53	8	22	10	7	
July 2007	D-39	48	9	19	17	7	
Dealing with health care							[264/272]
January 2008	D-36	51	15	17	12	5	
July 2007	D-36	49	13	14	21	3	
March 2006	D-31	43	12	21	19	5	
November 2005	D-26	43	17	17	18	5	
December 2004	D-18	39	21	23	11	6	
January 2004	D-26	48	22	18	10	2	
December 13, 2003	D-18	43	25	14	13	6	
October 2002+	D-25	46	21	19	11	3	
June 2002	D-22	38	16	23	18	5	
June 2001	D-21	41	20	21	12	6	
December 1999	D-26	43	17	21	13	6	
March 1999	D-24	42	18	23	12	5	
October 1998+	D-20	41	21	26	8	4	
September 1998	D-20	40	20	24	13	3	
June 1998	D-13	25	12	34	23	6	
May 1996	D-20	42	22	16	17	3	
December 1995	D-21	43	22	13	16	6	
October 1994	D-12	37	25	12	20	6	
July 1994	D-16	37	21	18	18	6	
May 1994	D-9	26	17	38	15	4	
October 1993	D-28	44	16	16	18	6	
March 1993	D-48	57	9	17	12	5	
July 1992+	D-34	44	10	21	19	6	
April 1992+	D-36	48	12	17	18	5	
October 1991+	D-34	46	12	18	16	8	
October 1991	D-23	39	16	24	12	9	
Improving America's standing in the world							[277]
January 2008 **	D-27	45	18	23	7	7	
July 2007	D-27	44	17	18	17	4	
Dealing with energy policy							[270]
January 2008 *	D-28	44	16	20	13	7	
July 2007	D-24	41	17	20	15	7	
November 2005	D-16	35	19	20	19	7	
January 2004	D-11	37	25	22	10	6	
December 13, 2003	D-11	36	25	15	11	12	
June 2001	D-8	35	27	19	10	9	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.27 (cont'd)

	<u>Party Advantage</u>	<u>Democratic Party</u>	<u>Republican Party</u>	<u>Both About The Same</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Dealing with the economy							[263/271]
January 2008.....	D-18	43	25	21	8	3	
July 2007.....	D-15	41	26	17	12	4	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	D-13	43	30	17	7	3	
September 2006+.....	D-12	40	28	17	10	5	
March 2006.....	D-12	39	27	20	11	3	
November 2005.....	D-14	39	25	17	14	5	
December 2004.....	D-9	39	30	20	7	4	
July 2004+.....	D-8	40	32	19	7	2	
January 2004+.....	R-2	36	38	15	8	2	
December 13, 2003.....	R-1	37	38	14	7	5	
October 2002+.....	D-6	36	30	21	9	4	
June 2002.....	D-1	32	31	24	9	4	
June 2001.....	D-6	37	31	20	6	6	
December 1999.....	D-3	34	31	24	7	4	
March 1999.....	D-6	35	29	26	6	4	
September 1998.....	-	31	31	29	6	3	
September 1997.....	R-9	25	34	26	9	6	
October 1996.....	D-4	36	32	15	10	7	
May 1996+.....	R-4	26	30	27	14	3	
December 1995.....	R-8	22	30	27	17	4	
June 1995.....	R-12	17	29	29	23	2	
October 1994.....	R-8	22	30	28	16	4	
July 1994.....	R-11	18	29	32	17	4	
June 1994.....	R-5	21	26	39	12	2	
October 1993.....	R-5	22	27	20	28	3	
March 1993.....	D-16	34	18	34	11	3	
July 1992+.....	D-8	26	18	35	18	3	
May 1992.....	D-6	29	23	26	17	5	
January 1992+.....	D-5	28	23	33	12	4	
October 1991+.....	R-1	27	28	26	14	5	
Reducing the federal deficit							[267]
January 2008 *.....	D-22	42	20	17	15	6	
July 2007.....	D-25	43	18	14	21	4	
November 2005	D-19	38	19	15	22	6	
January 2004.....	D-11	37	26	18	15	4	
December 13, 2003.....	D-13	38	25	12	16	10	
September 1997.....	R-8	23	31	22	18	6	
October 1996.....	R-3	29	32	11	19	9	
June 1995.....	R-21	16	37	17	26	4	
October 1993.....	D-4	27	23	27	18	5	
March 1993.....	D-23	39	16	23	18	4	
April 1992+.....	D-1	20	19	18	37	6	
October 1991+.....	R-5	24	29	16	24	7	
October 1990+.....	R-2	25	27	19	23	6	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.27 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Getting the country out of a recession							[275]
January 2008 **.....	D-16	41	25	22	8	4	
March 1991.....	R-17	21	38	14	16	11	
December 1990.....	-	33	33	7	17	10	
October 1990.....	R-5	31	36	6	13	14	
Dealing with homeownership issues							[268]
January 2008 *.....	D-20	39	19	24	10	8	
July 2007 *.....	D-19	35	16	21	13	15	
Dealing with taxes							[266]
January 2008 *.....	D-5	36	31	17	12	4	
July 2007.....	D-9	36	27	14	18	5	
March 2006.....	D-9	35	26	21	15	3	
November 2005.....	D-10	40	30	14	12	4	
January 2004	R-2	35	37	16	10	2	
December 13, 2003.....	R-3	34	37	12	9	9	
October 2002+.....	R-5	31	36	17	11	5	
June 2002.....	R-6	27	33	20	15	5	
June 2001.....	R-8	28	36	20	11	5	
December 1999.....	R-3	30	33	19	13	5	
March 1999.....	R-6	29	35	20	12	4	
October 1998+.....	-	32	32	21	10	5	
September 1998.....	R-6	29	35	22	11	3	
September 1997.....	R-5	26	31	20	16	7	
October 1996.....	R-5	30	35	15	13	7	
May 1996+.....	R-9	25	34	17	19	5	
December 1995.....	R-8	26	34	14	20	6	
June 1995.....	R-13	22	35	15	22	6	
November 1994.....	R-13	23	36	16	17	8	
October 1994.....	R-15	23	38	17	18	4	
October 1993.....	R-11	23	34	16	23	4	
Dealing with Iraq							[265]
January 2008 *.....	D-6	34	28	20	10	8	
July 2007.....	D-15	38	23	13	20	6	
October 13-16, 2006+.....	D-8	39	31	14	12	4	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	R-5	29	34	16	15	6	
March 2006.....	R-3	27	30	21	16	6	
November 2005.....	D-3	33	30	14	17	6	
December 2004.....	R-15	27	42	17	10	4	
July 2004+.....	R-8	31	39	16	10	4	
January 2004+.....	R-27	22	49	14	12	4	
December 13, 2003.....	R-21	24	45	13	7	11	
October 2002+.....	R-30	17	47	21	8	7	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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Q.27 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Dealing with the war on terrorism							[273]
January 2008 **	R-1	30	31	27	8	4	
July 2007	-	29	29	20	18	4	
October 13-16, 2006+	R-10	25	35	25	11	4	
September 8-11, 2006+	R-14	24	38	21	12	5	
November 2005	R-9	26	35	23	11	5	
December 2004	R-18	24	42	22	7	5	
January 2004	R-24	23	46	22	6	3	
December 13, 2003	R-26	20	46	19	9	5	
October 2002+	R-36	13	49	27	6	5	
Dealing with immigration							[274]
January 2008 **	D-4	29	25	26	14	6	
July 2007	D-10	29	19	19	26	7	
October 13-16, 2006+	D-3	28	25	21	19	7	
September 8-11, 2006+	D-2	24	22	21	22	11	
November 2005	D-6	25	19	21	26	9	
Promoting strong moral values							[276]
January 2008 **	R-9	24	33	28	11	4	
July 2007	R-5	23	28	23	23	3	
October 13-16, 2006+	R-13	20	33	19	24	4	
November 2005	R-17	18	35	22	21	4	
December 2004	R-21	21	42	22	12	3	
January 2004	R-22	23	45	18	13	2	
December 13, 2003	R-23	20	42	15	15	8	
June 2001	R-22	18	40	23	16	3	
Promoting a strong military							[269]
January 2008 *	R-35	17	52	21	5	5	
July 2007	R-28	20	48	18	8	6	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Thinking now about the economy...

28. In looking at the next twelve months, do you think that it will be a time of economic expansion for you and your family and an opportunity to move ahead, or do you think that it will be a time to hold back and save because harder times are ahead?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/98</u>	
Time of expansion/opportunity.....	19	29	30	40	32	29	32	[279]
Time to hold back/harder times ahead.....	70	60	61	51	56	60	57	
Some of both (VOL).....	7	8	7	6	7	7	5	
Not sure.....	4	3	2	3	5	4	6	

29. Do you think that there will or will not be an economic recession during the next twelve months?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>3/00</u>	<u>12/99</u>	
Will be an economic recession.....	64	56	39	43	26	30	31	23	[280]
Will not be an economic recession.....	24	31	48	43	55	53	55	66	
Not sure.....	12	13	13	14	19	17	14	11	

	<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>6/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/97</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>12/90</u>	<u>10/90</u>	
	30	22	15	19	23	32	73	66	
	56	68	77	70	67	53	19	24	
	14	10	8	11	10	15	8	10	

	<u>9/15-18/90</u>	<u>9/4-5/90</u>	<u>8/90</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>5/90</u>	<u>4/90</u>	<u>3/90</u>	<u>1/90</u>	
	51	58	57	25	30	23	30	31	
	35	30	26	49	57	64	56	56	
	14	12	17	26	13	13	14	13	

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30. Do you think Congress should or should not pass a tax cut as a way to help stimulate the U.S. economy?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>4/92+</u>	<u>2/92+</u>	<u>1/92+</u>	<u>12/91+</u>	<u>11/91+</u>	<u>10/91+</u>	
Should pass a tax cut.....	59	66	49	52	57	57	55	55	[308]
Should NOT pass a tax cut.....	26	23	41	40	34	31	30	32	
Depends (VOL).....	7	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Not sure.....	8	5	10	8	9	12	15	13	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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31. Please tell me which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view when it comes to tax cuts.

Statement A: Federal tax cuts have been worth it, because they have helped strengthen the economy by allowing Americans to keep more of their own money.

Statement B: Federal tax cuts have NOT been worth it, because they have increased the deficit and caused cuts in government programs.

	<u>1/08**</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	
Statement A /tax cuts worth it.....	42	39	38	[309]
Statement B /tax cuts NOT worth it.....	45	53	54	
Depends/some of both (VOL).....	8	4	4	
Not sure.....	5	4	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

32. Now here are some things that the federal government could do to help boost and improve the economy. Please tell me how much impact you think each one would have in helping the economy—a great deal of impact, quite a bit of impact, just some impact, or not much impact.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY A GREAT DEAL OR QUITE A BIT

	<u>Impact</u>				<u>Not</u>	
	<u>A Great</u>	<u>Quite</u>	<u>Just</u>	<u>Not</u>	<u>Sure</u>	
	<u>Deal</u>	<u>A Bit</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Much</u>		
Lowering taxes for middle- and lower-income taxpayers only.....	40	18	28	12	2	[310]
Lowering taxes for all taxpayers.....	31	17	28	22	2	[311]
Continuing to raise the minimum wage.....	32	14	28	24	2	[312]
Stopping and freezing all subprime mortgage foreclosures for ninety days and creating an automatic rate freeze on subprime mortgages for at least five years.....	28	15	27	18	12	[314]
Extending and broadening unemployment insurance to help Americans who are having difficulty finding work.....	29	13	36	19	3	[313]

Switching subjects...

33. As you may know, Medicare is the federal government-funded program that provides health care to qualifying people over the age of sixty-five. The federal government spends a great deal of money each year on Medicare and is going to eventually have to make changes to the program--such as reducing benefits for Medicare recipients, raising recipients' out-of-pocket costs, or both--in order to ensure Medicare's long-term financial stability. Do you think that these types of changes to Medicare should be dealt with now, or put off until some time in the future?

Dealt with now.....	71	[315]
Put off until some time in the future....	22	
Not sure.....	7	

Now thinking about Iraq...

34. When it comes to the war in Iraq, do you think that removing Saddam Hussein from power was or was not worth the number of U.S. military casualties and the financial cost of the war?

	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>10/28- 30/06+</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	
Worth it.....	32	35	33	37	40	40	39	[316]
Not worth it.....	59	56	57	54	52	52	51	
Depends (VOL).....	4	4	5	3	4	4	6	
Not sure.....	5	5	5	6	4	4	4	
	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	42	41	40	40	37	44	40	
	48	49	52	51	51	49	51	
	5	5	5	4	5	4	4	
	5	5	3	5	7	3	5	
	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	
	44	44	40	43	41	40	43	
	48	49	52	48	50	52	49	
	4	3	3	6	4	3	4	
	4	4	5	3	5	5	4	
	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	
	40	42	50	52	53	45	45	
	51	47	45	40	37	42	46	
	5	5	1	2	5	6	3	
	4	6	4	5	5	6	5	

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35. Do you think the recent increase in troop levels in Iraq is helping the situation there, is hurting the situation there, or is not making a difference either way?

	<u>1/08*</u>	<u>12/07</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	
Helping the situation.....	39	37	33	29	24	[317]
Hurting the situation.....	15	14	15	18	22	
Not making a difference either way.....	42	44	48	49	48	
Not sure.....	4	5	4	4	6	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

36. Over the past six months, would you say that the **(READ ITEM)** in Iraq has gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same? **

	<u>Gotten Better</u>	<u>Gotten Worse</u>	<u>Stayed About The Same</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Military situation and fighting against U.S. troops.....	39	16	41	4	[318]
Political situation and Iraq's ability to form a stable government.....	29	17	49	5	[319]

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

37. On a different topic, I'm going to read you a number of statements about race in America today and for each one I'd like you to tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with that statement.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT AGREE

	Agree		Disagree		Not Sure	
	Strongly	Some- what	Some- what	Strongly		
African Americans will work hard when given a chance.....	60	28	5	3	4	[323]
Racial integration has been good for society.....	61	25	5	6	3	[321]
African Americans often use race as an excuse to justify wrongdoing.....	27	33	17	19	4	[322]
America is a nation where people are not judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.....	20	27	29	22	2	[326]
African Americans have less family unity.....	14	21	19	38	8	[324]
The country has gone too far in giving African Americans special legal rights.....	14	17	22	40	7	[320]
African Americans tend to have less ambition.....	6	17	18	53	6	[325]

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. Are you currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered.....	89	[327]
Not registered.....	10	
Not sure	1	

- F2. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else?

Voted—George W. Bush.....	38	[328]
Voted—John Kerry.....	34	
Voted—someone else.....	8	
Voted—refused (VOL).....	2	
Did not vote.....	16	
Not sure.....	2	

F3. Are you currently employed? **(IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:)** What type of work do you do?

(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional/ manager.....	22	[329-336]
White-collar worker.....	22	
Blue-collar worker.....	14	
Farmer, rancher.....	-	
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>		
Student.....	4	
Homemaker.....	7	
Retired.....	24	
Unemployed, looking for work.....	5	
Other.....	-	
Not sure.....	2	

F4. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school.....	1	[337-338]
Some high school.....	6	
High school graduate.....	23	
Some college, no degree.....	17	
Vocational training/2-year college.....	12	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	23	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree.....	10	
Doctoral/law degree.....	3	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F5. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced?

Single.....	16	[339]
Unmarried and living with a partner.....	4	
Married.....	61	
Separated.....	1	
Widowed.....	7	
Divorced.....	9	
Other (VOL).....	-	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F6. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? **(IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:)** Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

Very liberal.....	11	[340]
Somewhat liberal.....	13	
Moderate.....	37	
Somewhat conservative.....	21	
Very conservative.....	14	
Not sure.....	4	

F7a. What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians).....	48	CONTINUE	[341]
Catholic.....	26		
Jewish.....	2	Skip to Q.F8	
Muslim.....	-		
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.....	2		
Other.....	8		
None.....	11	CONTINUE	
Not sure/refused.....	3		

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN Q.F7a.)

F7b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical.....	19	[342]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical.....	45	
Not sure.....	6	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (Q.F7a).....	30	

F8. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship?

Never.....	20	[343]
Once a year.....	4	
A few times a year.....	18	
Once a month.....	7	
About twice a month.....	10	
Once a week or more often.....	37	
Not sure.....	4	

F9a. Are you a current or retired labor union member?

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY NO OR NOT SURE IN Q.F9a.)

F9b. Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

Labor union member.....	15	[344-345]
Labor union household.....	8	
Non-union household.....	75	
Not sure.....	2	

F10. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000.....	5	[346]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	8	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	8	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	8	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	10	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	17	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	11	
More than \$100,000.....	18	
Not sure/refused.....	15	